

IVATA SLC Dinner Meeting
Minutes
April 13, 2012
Herrett Center – Twin Falls, ID

Meeting called to order at 6:15 pm by Nate Lowe.

Introductions of guests and dignitaries by Pat Dixon.

Dr Connors introduces University of Idaho Guests

Terry Patterson introduced College of Southern Idaho guests

Laura Wilder introduced Sid Freeman and made remarks about the tractor raffle.

Ben Meyer Introduced State PTE guests and Jessie Kellogg State FFA Coordinator.

Hannah Brause gave remarks from Capitol Press. They will send 1 – 6 papers to your chapter for free. She also talked about the chapter reporters contest and encouraged students to get involved.

National Officer

Seth Pratt gave remarks from the National FFA Officer team.

State FFA Officer

Anna Pratt gave remarks from the State FFA Officer team.

All in attendance were given an opportunity to introduce guests that were in attendance with them.

Invocation given by Sam Condie.

Denise Young of the Red Lion, Canyon Springs gave remarks and welcomed us to Twin Falls. They are offering \$10.00 off any room with four students for next years conference. Please contact her soon if interested.

Meal instructions were given by Pat Dixon.

State PTE Report – Ben Meyer

Bridgett Barrus was introduced as the new State FFA Coordinator.

Dr. Todd Schwarz was introduced as the new PTE Administrator.

Cenarrusa Day on the Hill and 212, 360 Conference will be at the Riverside once again on the 28th and 29 of January 2013.

9 Chapters in Idaho elected to pay affiliated dues this year.

Summer Conference will be June 13-15, 2012 at the Riverside hotel in Boise.
AET training will be the June 11-12, 2012 prior to Summer Conference.

Thank you to Dave Kiesig for hosting the Landscape design and Floral CDEs.

National FFA Convention housing booked through the State PTE will require a deposit which is due July 1, 2012. Book through the National FFA on your own or if you make your own reservations, convention registration will be higher cost.

American Degree applications are due at the State PTE office by June 1, 2012.

If you wish to have students participate in the National Agriscience Fair, Contact Ben Meyer and he can certify your entry even though we do not have a state event.

A State Calendar of events for 2012 and 2013 was passed out to all in attendance.

There will be a summer range event held this year in the vicinity of Challis.

The Idaho Livestock Exhibitors Reference Manual was passed out to all in attendance. It is distributed by the Idaho Dept of Agriculture. They will provide you with more if you contact them.

Thank you was given to Cody Porath for arranging the meal which was catered by Karen Johnson.

Dr. Steve Brown National FFA Advisor gave remarks.

University of Idaho Report
Dr. Allison Touchstone

Dual Credit can be attained by students competing in the following;
State Ag Business Mgmt.
State Proficiency Awards
District Stars

There will be a dual credit workshop this summer – More information will be coming.

Morrill Act Challenge – U-Tube Video challenge for FFA and FCCLA members. Winners will be presented to the JFAC Committee. Prizes will be \$750.00 1st, \$500.00 2nd, \$250.00 3rd.

Dr. James Connors

State CDE's will be on University of Idaho Campus June 5-8, 2012
Packets will be e-mailed out.

Communications and Marketing plan CDE's will be offered this year.

Water Quality and GPS will be ENR Practicums this year. Tool reconditioning will be the Ag Mechanics skill.

Ag Days will arrange buses from Southern Idaho once again this year.

Shea Nesbitt is the new Ag Recruiter at the college.

Anita Falen will coordinate the State Soils CDE.

The Soils and the Environment booklet will be revised and will be \$4.00 per copy or online as a PDF.

Legislative Report – Shawn Dygert

Discussed were portfolios and affiliation.

Thanks was given to Jana Volkers for providing the floral arrangements.

JR Simplot Company – Rick Phillips

Comments were made about the Nutrients for Life Competition. Idaho is top in the nation for participation. \$5000.00 for your chapter if you win.

The Cohort is working on Summer Professional Development opportunities for teachers at Simplot facilities throughout the state.

State FFA Alumni – Chuck Radloff

Contact an Alumni officer or Alan Heikkila to get help with setting up a chapter. Send Chuck a contact name of a person in your area and he will get with them to get an Alumni going.

CDE Revision - Mike Tesnohldek

New revisions were put online in January for comments. Those comments will be taken into consideration at a meeting of the advisor on the CDE committee at the dance at SLC.

NAAE Awards are Due May 15th. You are encouraged to apply.

Herd Book Report - Jim Summers

Adjournment by Unanimous Consent at 8:15 pm.